



SAN MANUEL CASINO BREAKS GROUND ON MAJOR EXPANSION

Project to add casino's first onsite hotel, a world-class entertainment venue and more

Highland, Calif. (July 25, 2018) – The San Manuel Band of Mission Indians today held a ceremony to officially begin its major expansion project through Yaamava', a celebratory event and groundbreaking ceremony. The expansion is set to include San Manuel Casino's first onsite hotel, a world-class entertainment venue, and an array of state-of-the-art amenities, including new dining experiences, retail and event spaces, and more. This project is a major step forward for the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians and the surrounding community that brings employment opportunities as well as enhanced entertainment experiences to our casino guests.

"We couldn't be more humbled and proud to start this new project, one that embodies the new growth and revitalization of Yaamava', meaning spring, a season that brings new life and boundless potential. This time of renewal is an opportunity to recommit ourselves to the words of our ancestors to 'never forget who we are or where we came from,'" said Lynn Valbuena, Chairwoman of the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians. "In keeping with our core value of Unity, this project gains its success through the collaboration, dedication and commitment of all the San Manuel team members, patrons, community supporters, and construction partners."

"From construction to completion, this project will add a high volume of employment opportunities," said Jerry Paresa, Chief Executive Officer of the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians. "Breaking ground today provides us with the opportunity to create more jobs that benefit the region."

Yaamava', a groundbreaking ceremony, demonstrated how the casino plans to leverage its history of innovation and growth through the following:

- **Modern Luxury** – Casino patrons will now have the added option of staying at the destination itself at the casino's first onsite, luxury hotel.
- **Regional Economic Growth** – San Manuel Band of Mission Indians is among the top 10 private employers in San Bernardino County, currently supporting more than 4,900 employees and generating more than \$1 billion in annual economic activity in the San Bernardino region; the San Manuel Casino expansion is set to add even more employment opportunities for the region.
- **Elevated Entertainment** – Visitors and guests will enjoy some of the world's best entertainment that rivals top destinations such as Las Vegas at San Manuel Casino's new world-class entertainment venue.
- **Added Amenities** – Upping the ante on its existing list of award-winning dining options and amenities, the expansion will provide enhanced experiences through its new dining venues, retail spaces and spa.

"Today we are taking 'all thrill' to the next level," said Loren Gill, General Manager, San Manuel Casino. "We are grateful that our guests have made San Manuel Casino a top entertainment destination in the region, and our team looks forward to providing a world-class experience as we continue to grow."

San Manuel Casino is located at 777 San Manuel Blvd., Highland, CA 92346, and can be reached by calling 1-800-359-2464. For more information visit www.sanmanuel.com.

About the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians

The San Manuel Band of Mission Indians is a federally-recognized Indian tribe located on the San Manuel Indian Reservation near Highland, California. San Manuel exercises its inherent sovereign right of self-governance and provides essential services for its citizens by building infrastructure, maintaining civil services, and promoting social, economic and cultural development. As descendants of the indigenous people of the San Bernardino

highlands, passes, valleys, mountains and high deserts, the Serrano people of San Manuel have called this area home since time immemorial and are committed to remaining a productive partner in the San Bernardino region.

About San Manuel Casino

San Manuel Casino is Southern California's one-stop destination for entertainment and fun that is located just 60 minutes from downtown Los Angeles and a short drive from LA-Ontario International Airport. Millions of guests each year enjoy more than 4,800 of the latest slots, live poker and Vegas-style blackjack, high-limit gaming, incredible entertainment, sumptuous dining and a generous player's reward program. Since 1986, players have received over \$2 billion in cash, prizes and giveaways, making any visit to San Manuel an exciting and memorable experience. For more information on San Manuel Casino, visit www.SanManuel.com and follow us on [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#).

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